Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee

Minutes of the March 14, 2007 meeting, Lovettsville Room Loudoun County Government Center 1 Harrison Street, S.E., Leesburg, Virginia

Members Present:

Chairman Helen Casey, Vice Chairman; Joan Rokus, vice Chairman John Isom; Benjamin Lawrence; Mark Peterson,

Members Absent:

Steve Combs-Lafleur, Phil Daley, Kurt Erickson, Lynn Gibson.

County Staff Present:

Joe Gorney, Department of Planning, Mark Novak, Recording Secretary, PRCS Brian Fuller, PRCS David Ward, Building and Development

Guests:

Chris Pauley, NVRPA Anne L. Larson, Liaison, Catoctin Creek

Chairman's Business

Chairman Helen Casey called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Chairman Casey asked for a motion to accept January 10, 2007 minutes. Motion moved by Benjamin Lawrence, second by John Isom; motion passed. Next were introductions of visiting guest.

Next order of business: Update

Chairman Casey informed the committee that the Ritz Carlton golf Course was going to be using the effluent treated from the sewer treatment facility to irrigate the golf course.

Next order of business: Update on Scenic Designation (Goose Creek) to Fauquier County:

One thing that needs to be decided is how we recommend they work with us. Should they be a separate group, does that mean a separate scenic river committee. Could we co-committee, we work on our part they work on theirs, meet once year to share information.

Ben who has been working closely with the Fauquier sub-committee and recommended that there be two committee's. Loudoun County would deal with the eastern part of the

Goose and Fauquier County the western end of the Goose. The combined committees could meet at least once a year (twice in 2007).

Chairman Casey requested ideas on how the Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee should be designated. The name Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee of Loudoun County was recommended for the current committee and Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee of Fauquier County when they are designated. It was also agreed that the committee's meet twice a year (spring/fall). It was also suggested that the Fauquier committee have a liaison attend Loudoun's meetings, so as to become familiar with how things are conducted. Chairman Casey asked for a motion that each group have separate names and organizations. Motion moved by Benjamin Lawrence, second by Joan Rokus; motion passed. Second motion, select a name, Joan Rokus moved that the name be Goose Creek Scenic River Advisory Committee of Loudoun County, second by Benjamin Lawrence; motion passed.

After a brief discussion a motion was passed that we have a celebration of the new status (extending scenic status into Fauquier) in May or June 2007.

Next order of business, DiGiulian Property

DiGiulian Property is moving along. A preliminary subdivision plat (SBPL 2006-0107) has been submitted asking for eight (8) lots single family lots. Chairman Casey asked John if anything has taken place on the site. John reported that he has not seen any activity and is not sure who to contact. Chairman Casey asked County staff who they should be contacting in the County to discuss the application. Staff suggested Building and Development would be the best starting point.

Next order of business, Update Catoctin Creek

Concern on development happening around Taylorstown appears not to be as concerning. With slow down in the market and other issues facing the developer, it appears he has put plans to develop on hold.

Next order of business, Update on the Strategic Watershed Plan

A steering committee of twenty-four has been put in place; Mark Peterson serves on the conversation sub-committee and has been asked also to serve as a member on the executive committee.

Next order of business, Other:

- Goose Creek Canoe Clean up will be in April.
- Red Cedar crossing waterline groundbreaking will be in April.
- Next meeting will be May 9th

There being no further business of the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark A. Novak, ASLA, PRCS